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of the

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

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Primitive Baptist Association

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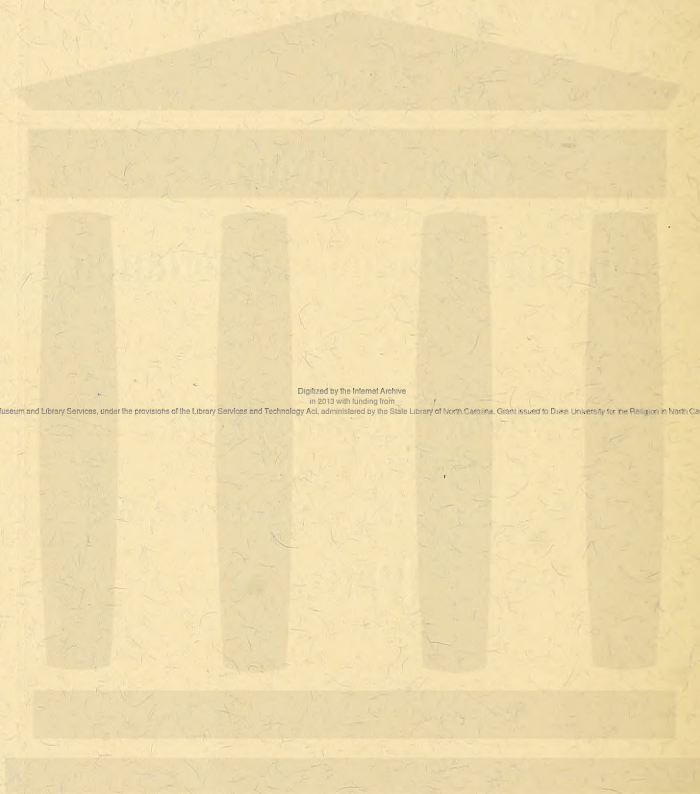
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Officers

ELDER DORCINE STATON - Modderator, Bethel, N. C.
BROTHER CHARLIE DUGGER - Clerk, Rt. 2, Roberson
North Carolina

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Proceedings

OF THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CORRESPONDING ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 6, 7, 8, 1950. FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Elder Staton arose and read for his morning lesson the fourteenth chapter of John and sang hymn 475. Prayer by Elder T. F. Piles. Elder Russell Collier who was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon arose and sang hymn 364 and chose for his text Ephesians 2. Elder Staton who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon, arose and sang hymn 380 and used the same text. Elder I. H. Phelps arose and sang a portion of hymn 3, and chose for his text Ephesians 2. Elder T. F. Piles arose and sang hymn 141 and followed the same text. Closing hymn. Benediction by Elder H. K. Hemby. Contribution \$12.51.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

Elder Staton arose and sang hymn 440. Prayer by Elder H. K. Hemby. Elder Staton arose and pronounced the Association conference now ready for transaction of business. Motion and agreed that Elder Staton be chosen Moderator of the Corresponding Association. Brother Charlie Dugger was chosen Clerk. Brother King Lathom was chosen Association Treasurer.

Motion and agreed corresponding ministers and messengers from our sister Associations be invited to seat with us and take a part in the conference and feel themselves at home.

On motion and agreed Committee on Arrangement of preaching from day to day be appointed. The Moderator appointed Elder Russell Collier, Brother King Lathom, and Brother Leroy Artibridge, and they report as follows to preach at the stand. Elder G. Dunkan, Elders I. H. Phelps, Elder H. K. Hemby.

On motion and agreed the report of the Committee be received.

On motion and agreed that Brother Curlie Collier was chosen porter.

On motion and agreed the names of all the visiting delegates be enrolled.

On motion and agreed, Finance Committee be appointed. The Moderator appointed Brother Mack Whitfield, Brother King Lathom, and Brother Curlie Collier.

On motion and agreed the delegates from our sister Associations make their report.

The North Eastern Association in Jersey represented by Elder T. F. Piles, who came forth with a file of Minutes, stating they were in peace and love. Their next session will convene at Mount Ceinie Church Morton, N. W. Washington, D. C., Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1951, and he was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

The Tar River Association represented by Elder H. K. Hemby, who came forth with a file of Minutes stating they were in peace and love. Their next session will convene at Bynum Chapel, Farmville, N. C., Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1950, and was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Cubrun Association in Virginia represented by Elder G. Duncan, who came forth with a file of Minutes stating they were in peace and love and was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Their next session will be held with Clifton Church in 1951.

Mount Rhamr Association in Georgia represented by Elder I. H. Phelps, who came forth with a file of Minutes stating they were in peace and love and he was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Their next session will convene at Griffin, Ga., Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1950.

Antioch and Union Association in Georgia was not represented.

Motion and agreed there be a door opened for the accepting of new churches in this Association. No one came forth.

Motion and agreed Elder Staton be excused until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Motion and agreed conference close until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Dismissed by Elder H. K. Hemby. Closing hymn 507.

FRIDAY EVENING DIVINE SERVICE

Elder Russell Collier arose and sang hymn 200. Prayer by Brother Mack Whitfield and Elder G. Duncan arose and sang hymn 490, and chose for his text John 3. Elder I. H. Phelps arose and sang hymn 615 and followed the same. Elder H. K. Hemby arose and sang hymn 673 and preached from the same text. Closing hymn 507. Dismissed by Elder H. K. Hemby. Contribution, \$12.30.

FRIDAY NIGHT DIVINE SERVICE

Elder Russell Collier arose and sang hymn 141 and prayer by Brother King Lathom. Brother Oscar Clemmon arose and sang hymn 145, and chose for his text John 1. Elder I. H. Phelps arose and sang hymn 356 and chose for his text Genesis 1. Elder T. F. Piles arose and sang hymn 200 and preached from the same text. Closing hymn 689. Contribution \$16.65.

Dismissed by Elder T. F. Piles

SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

The Association was called to order by the Moderator sang hymn 73. Prayer by Brother William Spell.

On motion agreed to enter into business.

Motion and agreed the list of churches and names of visiting delegates be called and the Minutes of the Friday session be read.

Motion and agreed the Minutes of Friday session be received. Agreed the Committee on Arrangements make their report. They reported as follows: to preach at the stand, Elder Amos Arcie, Elder G. Duncan, Elder I. H. Phelps.

Agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

Motion and agreed to take up unfinished business.

Motion and agreed to see where the next Association shall go in 1951. The following churches put in their petition: Zion Grove. It seemed to please the minds of the conference to give the next Association to Zion Grove in 1951, Elder Willie Beach was chosen to preach

the introductory sermon and Elder Dorcine Staton was chosen as alternate.

Motioned and agreed to call for the Corresponding and Circular, which were read and received.

Agreed that Elder Willie Beach write the Corresponding letter and Brother Mack Whitefield the Circular letter for 1951.

Agreed to have our delegates visit our sister associations with whom we correspond. To the Tar River; Elder Dorcine Staton, Friday before the third Sunday in Oct., 1950; to Cubrun, Va., Elder Willie Beach; to North Eastern, New Jersey, Elder Dorcine Staton; to the Mt. Rahmer Asso. of Georgia, Elder Russell Callier; to Antioch and Union Asso. of Georgia, by letter and file of minutes.

Motion and agreed to close conference until 2 o'clock. Closed with hymn 507. Dismissed by Elder H. K. Hemby.

SATURDAY MORNING PREACHING SERVICE

Elder Staton rose and sang hymn 393. Elder Amos Achie sang hymn 288 and read a portion of Song of Solomon chap. 7. Elder I. H. Phelps sang 353 and preached from Matt. 2. Elder Dunkans sang 518 and preached; Elder T. F. Piles sang 411 and preached. Closed with 141.

Contribution \$36.85. Dismissed by Elder G. Dunkans.

SATURDAY EVENING BUSINESS

The Association reassembled at the usual hour. The moderator sang hymn 440, prayer by Brother Robert Gay. The moderator stated the conference now ready for business.

Motioned and agreed the list of churches and names of the visiting delegates be called and the minutes of Saturday morning session be read which was done and received.

Motioned and agreed the committee and Arrangements make their report, which was as follows: to preach at the stand, Brother Azor House; at the house, Elders Leslie Low, and Richard Anderson.

Agreed the report be received.

Agreed the finance committee be directed to keep an accurate account of all money paid in and paid out during the sitting of this association.

Agreed the association take up her association dues collected in this session, which was \$180.95. Agreed the Asso. treasury be counted which was \$40.00; left in the hands of the treasurer \$68.54.

Agreed the clerk have 150 minutes printed and distributed under the supervision of the moderator. Agreed to donate to the moderator the amount received \$19.55. Agreed the moderator and finance committee pay off all association indebtedness.

Agreed the conference close until Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1941 at Zion Grove, Gold Point, N. C.

Prayer by Elder G. Dunkans. Hymn 200. Dismissed by Elder Dorcine Staton.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

Sang hymn 38. Brother Azor House sang hymn 25 and preached

from John 14. Elder Leslie Blow sang 384 and preached on Witness; Elder Richard Andrews sang hymn 76 and preached. Elder H. K. Hemby sang 400 and preached. Closed with hymn 689.

Contribution \$9.00. Dismissed by Elder T. F. Piles.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Elder Russell Collier rose and called the house to order by singing hymn 360, prayer by Brother Oscar Clemon. Elder Willie sang hymn 16 and preached from John 13:1; Elder I. H. Phelps sang 631 and witnessed the same. Elder T. F. Piles sang 411 and witnessed the same.

Agreed to close until Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with hymn 688, Contribution \$18.05. Dismissed by Elder T. F. Piles.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The moderator opened by singing hymn 361, prayer by Brother Wiliam Spell. Agreed the minutes of Saturday evening session be read, which was done and received. The following was sent to the stand to preach: Brother Lonzo Spell and Elder Tom Stokes and Elder Henry Sprueill. Bro. Spell sang hymn 3 and preached from Jn. 11:9; Bro. Oscar Clemon rose and witnessed the same; Elder Tom Stokes witnessed the same; Elder Henry Spruiell sang hymn 38 and witnessed the same; Elder Andrews sang 188 and witnessed the same; Elder Gabel Dunkans sang 284 and witnessed the same; Elder John Hill sang 533 and witnessed the same. Elder Leslie Blow sang hymn 607 and witnessed the same; Elder I. H. Phelps sang 389 and witnessed the same; Elder H. K. Hemby sang hymn 18 and witnessed the same. Elder T. F. Piles sang hymn 141 and witnessed the same.

Closed with hymn 507. Contributed \$43.30. Dismissed by Elder Piles.

VISITING DELEGATES:

Elder H. K. Hemby, T. F. Piles, I. H. Phelps, G. Dunkans.



CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren and sisters who compose the sixty-sixth annual session of the Corresponding Primitive Baptist Association, to be held with with Wilson Chapel Primitive Baptist Church, October 6, 7, and 8, 1950. We are more than glad to know that the Lord saw us sitting down at this place before time and has let us live to meet in time, trusting the Lord that we are in peace. We can say many things with our lips but He knows that awful day will shortly come when we all must stand before our God and account for our stewardship. He knows, I do not, just trusting Him for His grace.

We are more than glad to have you ministers and messengers from afar to meet with us once more on this side of the river.

Now in conclusion may God dwell with you all through this association in peace and love. You all are welcome to what we have while you are here with us. Let us stand for the truth, for the truth shall make you free.

Your humble servant,

—CHARLIE DUGGER

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters who compose the sixty-sixth annual session of the Corresponding Primitive Baptist Association, to be held with the Wilson Chapel Primitive Baptist, Oct. 6, 7, 8, 1950.

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Pray for us that we may contend for the same faith that was once delivered to the saints at Jerusalem.

Mack Whitefield

CONTRIBUTION FROM THE CHURCHES:

Wilson Chapel—Brother King Sathom	\$50.00
Zion Grove—Brother Mack Whitefield	\$12.00



ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Dorcine Staton, Bethel, N. C.
Elder Henry Spruiell, Parmell, N. C.
Elder Russell Collier, Robersonville, N. C.
Elder Willie Beach, Robersonville, N. C.

CHURCHES, PASTOR, CLERK AND DEACONS

Wilson Chapel—Elder Dorcine Staton, pastor; Charlie Dugger, Clerk, Rt. 2, Robersonville, N. C. Deacon Bros. King Sathom, Mack Whitefield.
Zion Grove—Elder Russell Collier, pastor; Bro. King Sathom, Mack Whitefield, deacons; Charlie Dugger, Clerk.

OBITUARIES

Elder Jullian Collier departed this life in May, 8, 1950. The moderator of the Corresponding Association when death came in his room. I feel like he could say like Paul, I have kept the faith, I have run the race with patience. When his meeting day came he was always on hand; through much hardship but he never complained. Sleep on, Elder Collier, sleep on, we love you, but God loves you best.

Sister Jane Mizzell departed this life in Jan. 25, 1951. She was a faithful member and never complained about anything that was done in the church. She was quiet and peaceful. She was a loving sister. She is gone but not forgotten.

Charlie Dugger

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, and there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.
4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
5. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state by nature of his own free will and ability.
6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.
7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace, and never finally fall away.
9. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing the saints' feet are ordinances and that the true mode of baptism is by immersion.
10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment.
11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.
12. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands of a presbytery.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association will open and close with prayer.
2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any but the Moderator until he is done speaking.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his life, his failings or imperfections, and shall fairly state the case and matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light and ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly break off, or absent himself from the Association without first obtaining liberty from the Association.
7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without first obtaining liberty from the Association.
8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of same, nor whispering in time of speech.
9. No member of this Association shall address another member in the term or appellation other than that of Brother.
10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any brother in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the Rules of Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as this Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak on the subject, who may give his opinion if he choses, but shall have no vote unless the Association is equally divided.

13. No member of this Association shall join any secret order, and such shall be a violation of our faith and order, and shall be dealt with by their churches.

14. Any members who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules may be reproved by the Association as it may deem proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES		MESSENGERS		
Wilson Chapel ..	Brother King Sathom, Brother Mack Whitefield	1	2 ..	1/27 \$50.00
Zion Grove	Brother Mack Whitefield, Brother Curlie Collier			6/12 \$2.00
		<u>Rec'd by Baptism</u> <u>Rec'd by Letter</u> <u>Dis. by Letter</u> <u>Excluded</u> <u>Restored to Fel.</u> <u>Deceased</u> <u>Conf. of Faith</u> <u>No. in Fellowship</u>		
		Contribution		

